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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Work by the Department of Agriculture to fight the cotton boll weevil has already begun in Texas. —— A warship has been ordered to Puerto Plata, San Domingo, to look after American interests. —— Barque Lithian wrecked on the coast of Bermuda. —— The House concurred in the Senate action appropriating $4,600,000 for the St. Louis exposition. —— The Senate will vote on the Panama canal treaty on or before Feb. 23rd. —— Japanese were repulsed Wednesday in an attempt to make a landing at Port Arthur. —— Russians report that fifty Japanese were killed and 150 wounded in the fight at Port Arthur. —— Five thousand Japanese troops are encamped near Seoul, Corea. —— An unofficial report from Tokio says that four Russia battleships and three cruisers were sunk and two Japanese warships damaged in an engagement at Port Arthur Wednesday. —— Negro assaulted and stabbed and robbed a white woman at Wytheville, Va. —— President Roosevelt has issued proclamation of neutrality in the Russo-Japanese war. —— The Legislature of South Carolina has passed a bill establishing a State department of agriculture and immigration. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2½ per cent.; cotton quiet at 14 80c; flour was moderately active and firm; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 97c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 2.60c; oats—spot firm, No. 2 48½c; rosin firm; spirits turpentine dull at 67@68c.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 11.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 26 degrees; 8 P. M., 33 degrees; maximum, 33 degrees; minimum, 25 degrees; mean, 29 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .06; rainfall since first of the month to date, .88 inch.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—For North Carolina: Fair Friday and Saturday, fresh northeast winds.

Port Almanac—February 12.

Sun Rises	6.53 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.37 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 44 M.
High Water at Southport.	5.37 A. M.
High Water Wilmington.	8.03 A. M.

If now you see our jaw-bone broken,
Wit not 'twas smashed by any bruiser,
For you must know by ev'ry token,
We'd tried to name a Russian cruiser.

As the Spaniards would say, the audacity of those Japs is something terrific.

You may wake up some day to the fact that the pretty girl who signs her letters "Unforgettingly Yours," has also signed up to other fellows the same way. Girls like to be nice to everybody, you know.

If we now accept the defence of Gen. Miles' act in hand-cuffing Jeff Davis, on the ground that he had no discretion in the matter and was acting under orders, we may be asked after a while to acknowledge that John Brown was an elevated gentleman. He was elevated—by the rope, you'll remember.

The Russian naval officers at Port Arthur refused to allow the American and other foreign naval officers to accompany the Russian ships to observe the naval operations. We suppose that our naval officers now consider themselves luckier than the man who had a shower of soup on his plantation every day at noon.

The "yaller dog" of North Carolina still indulges in the mange, kills sheep and gives his owner an affectionate wag of the tail as innocently as a grafter greets his victim. South Carolina is beginning to see the dog in its proper light. The Columbia *Record* of Wednesday says: "The justly celebrated dog law has passed the house. So the 'yaller dog' is actually being legislated against. It is really most wonderful, and this an election year, too."

The South is particularly interested in the war between Russia and Japan. The largest exports of cotton goods from Southern mills go to Manchuria and our trade with Corea is also quite large. The disturbed conditions there for three or four years have greatly affectad this trade, and war will make it worse. There will, however, be a heavy demand for war supplies and bread and meat to feed the armies, and the United States will get its share of the trade.

American newspapers have no room to "throw off" on the Mole St. Nicholas man for imagining that he heard big guns at sea, nor to doubt the war news under the Shanghai date line. Many newspapers, along with the news of the Japanese attacks at Port Arthur and Chemulpo, printed cuts of the battle! That is consuming space for a draft on the artist's imagination, and the "yellow" news from Shanghai and the Mole St. Nicholas man in his wild imaginations are as much entitled to space as those war pictures.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The trial of John R. Sneeden is set for trial before Judge Pritchard in Washington next Monday.

— Sunday is the Chinese New Year and it will be celebrated as of yore by the Wilmington colony of Celestials.

— A business meeting of the Piano Club will be held at 5 o'clock this afternoon in the Elks' Temple. A full attendance is desired.

— An emergent communication of Orient Lodge No. 395, A. F. & A. M., will be held this evening for work in the first degree. Visitors cordially invited.

— A suspicious looking character was seen several times in the yard of Mr. Jos. C. Shepard, on South Second street, last night. The police were notified.

— E. C. Beasley, a white vagrant, found drunk yesterday morning on Third, between Market and Princess streets, was locked up for trial by Mayor Springer to-day.

— J. Walter Labaree & Co., have succeeded A. B. Baxter & Co., stock brokers, and will occupy the office on Princess street with Mr. T. Morgan Turrentine as manager.

— "Nothing doing" in cotton yesterday. Receipts, 163 bales against 799 same day last year. Spirits turpentine was firm at 63 and rosin was firm at $3.60 per barrel.

— The Streets and Wharves Committee has made arrangements to pave the block on Grace street, next to the river. The work will be commenced as soon as the weather permits.

— The Norfolk *Public Ledger* says there is no doubt that Rev. W. M. Vines, of Asheville, will accept the call to the pastorate of the Freeman Street Baptist church, of Norfolk.

— On account of the inclemency of the weather, the "Tacky Party" which was to have been given this evening at the residence of Mr. R. S. Warren, on Chesnut street, has been indefinitely postponed.

— The Southport *Standard* understands that Capt. W. A. Sanders has been successful in securing the contract for carrying the mail between Southport and Wilmington. The present contract ends next June.

— Bids for the lease of the Academy of Music for a period of five years will be opened by the Public Building Committee at the City Hall to-morrow at noon. It is said that there will be at least three or four bidders for the lease.

— A correspondent of the Southport *Standard* learns that Rev. L. W. Curtis will take charge of the Presbyterian work in Brunswick, with headquarters at Southport. Rev. Mr. Curtis is well remembered in Brunswick and will be cordially welcomed back to that county.

— Southport *Standard*: "The steamer "Cape Fear" was taken to Wilmington last Tuesday to go on the ways, where the hull will be inspected. The steamer was at work near Philadelphia until recently, and it will be ascertained on inspection what damage was done by ice to the bottom."

— Southport *Standard*: "In coming over the Lockwoods Folly river bar Tuesday Mr. A. J. Robbin's sharpie, the May, struck a piece of wreckage and sprung a leak. The sharpie was loaded with wood, and put back into the river and was beached to prevent sinking. The amount of damage is not ascertained."

MEDICAL SOCIETY IN SESSION.

Interesting and Profitable Meeting of New Hanover Physicians and Surgeons.

The New Hanover County Medical Society held an interesting and profitable meeting last night in the Mayor's office at the City Hall. Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy presided and Dr. E. J. Wood kept a record of the proceedings. The features of the meeting were an interesting address by Dr. Bellamy on the history of the medical profession in Wilmington for a generation and a thorough discussion by all members of the presence of smallpox and pneumonia in the city. The meeting was well attended and enthusiastic. Dr. C. T. Harper, city superintendent of health, favored the society with a full report of the smallpox conditions and the efficacy of the measures taken for the prevention of a spread of the disease.

STRIKE OF A. C. L. TRACKMEN

President of National Organization Coming To-day—Nothing Known as to Extent.

Nothing was learned here yesterday as to the extent the order of the I. B. of the M. W. E., calling a strike of Atlantic Coast Line trackmen at noon, was obeyed. Secretary Bostick, of the committee of employes, said last night it would be to-day before any results are known. President Jno. T. Wilson, of the national organization, I. B. of M. W. E., with headquarters at St. Louis, will be here to-day to look after the interests of the workmen.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Masonic—Meeting Orient Lodge.
Str. Franklin Pierce—Notice of sale.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Notice—A few radiators left.

Washington Bread at Farris'; 30 loaves for $1.00, 3½cts. per loaf, 3 loaves for 10cts. If its not as good or better than any bread sold in the city we will refund your money. 'Phone 696. No. 109 South Front street. †

THE VICE CRUSADE.

One Conviction, One Acquittal and Beginning of Compromise Measures Yesterday.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Juries Bring in Verdicts After Long Deliberation—One Defendant Required to Give $500 Bond—Terms of Settlement Reached.

Conviction in one, acquittal in another and the opening of negotiations looking to a compromise of a majority of the other Law and Order League cases was the net result of yesterday's proceedings in the Superior Court. The conviction was in the case of Kate Jenkins, charged with selling liquor on Sunday, the jury having retired at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and remained out until after 6 o'clock yesterday evening. The acquittal was in the case of Lola Harris, also charged with selling liquor on Sunday, the jury having retired at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon and returned a verdict of not guilty five hours later.

The defendant in the first case had previously been found not guilty of keeping a disorderly house and her counsel was encouraged by the long deliberation of the jury to believe that she would not be convicted in the second instance. Such, however, was not the case. After remaining out all night, the jury came in yesterday morning at 10 o'clock and said that an agreement was impossible; that the vote of members stood eight to four for conviction and the four exhibited no signs of weakening. Judge Ferguson ordered them back to the jury room and there they remained, the panel consisting of the following: E. Y. Davis, F. D. Capps, A. J. Barbour, G. H. Savage, Henry Rehder, E. M. Rogers, G. W. Rogers, T. B. Casteen, H. H. Woebse, J. R. Mahoney, Liston Larkins and Alva Ward.

At 1 o'clock the jury retired with with the Harris case as follows: J. D. Sidbury, W. S. Register, Carl Mugge, W. A. Rankin, W. S. Craig, Jr., J. H. Aman, Tobe Howard, J. L. Russ, H. W. Penny, E. L. Davis, L. C. Sutton and Geo. H. Hutaff. Two juries were out with apparently no likelihood of reaching an agreement, when in the midst of a selection of a third jury to try another of the cases, there was a rap on the door and the twelve men to pass upon the guilt or innocence of the Harris woman came into court at 6.15 o'clock and said "not guilty." Ten minutes later the jury in the Jenkins case rapped, were admitted to the court room and said "guilty."

AFTER A COMPROMISE.

With the trial of only two cases of the twenty-odd during three days of the court session, it was seen early in the afternoon that negotiations were pending for a compromise. The case of Effie May, charged with keeping a disorderly house, was called. After partially selecting a jury there was a conference of attorneys on both sides and the trial of the May woman was summarily discontinued. A third case against Kate Jenkins was called and the selection of another jury was commenced. Though counsel on neither side would give out anything as to a wholesale compromise or the terms of such compromise, it was learned in the court room from unofficial sources, that terms had really been agreed upon by which under certain conditions all the cases would be settled except those against Lola Harris and Kate Jenkins, those two refusing a compromise and signifying their willingness to fight the cases out on their merits. The terms of compromise are said to be that all the defendants except those mentioned are to be let off with the costs in one of the cases against them; provided they remove from their present location, which they have agreed to do with the two exceptions mentioned.

The Jenkins woman owns valuable property at northeast corner of Fourth and Castle streets and would not consent to the removal terms at the sacrifice entailed. She was immediately placed on trial upon the third charge and it was while the jury was being selected that the two juries which had been out, came in. When court adjourned at 7 o'clock the following jury had been empanelled to enter upon a trial of the Jenkins woman first thing this morning: J. W. Branch, Richard Shew, W. H. Dock, W. H. Chadbourn, Geo. Branch, E. T. Draper, Julius Hahn, C. H. Ward, J. J. Moore, C. O. Alexander, S. H. Kirkland and W. L. Thorp.

The defendant having already been convicted of selling liquor on Sunday, as court adjourned she was remanded to the custody of the sheriff unless she gave a $500 bond. The bond was given. Court will convene at 10 o'clock this morning.

NAMES OF STREETS.

[Communicated]

What strikes a stranger as remarkable on first arriving in Wilmington is the absence of visible names of the streets either on the fences or lamps in the city. The streets all possess names and appropriate ones, which are well known to old residents, but the only street in Wilmington recognized by its name is the one mentioned in the *Evening Dispatch* of Wilmington and when a stranger at once placed by the description given viz., Deplorable Street.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Adolph Goodman left last night for Boston and New York.

— Friends of Mr. S. F. Yopp are glad to see him out after an illness of two weeks.

— P. A. Willcox, Esq., of Florence, S. C., is at The Orton on A. C. L. business.

— Miss Rena Morton left yesterday afternoon to visit friends in Jacksonville, Fla.

— Dr. W. K. Anders, of White Oak, Bladen county, has located in Wilmington to practice medicine and will occupy the offices on Market street formerly occupied by the late Dr. Jos. C. Shepard.

— Mr. Geo. H. Mills, business manager of "A Friend of the Family" Co., which will appear here Saturday week, matinee and night, arrived yesterday. The attraction is said to be a fine one and the best of the season with no advance in prices.

BRUNSWICK TAX ON CLAMS.

Agreement Reached Regarding Payment by Two Wilmington Shippers.

In the dissolution of the injunction brought by Messrs. Brooks & Taylor, of this city, to restrain Fish Commissioner L. C. Tripp, of Brunswick county, from collecting the tax of three cents per bushel on clams shipped from that territory, an agreement was reached by attorneys on each side of the case by which Messrs. Brooks & Taylor will pay the tax to the sheriff of Brunswick county, pending a final adjudication of the matter before the Supreme Court. Capt. W. A. Sanders, another large shipper of clams from Brunswick county, also becomes a party to the agreement and enjoys the benefit of the same. The funds remain in the hands of the sheriff until the case is finally decided. If favorable to the shippers, it will be returned to them and, if favorable to the commissioner, it will be paid to him. Except the two shippers named, none others enjoy immunity from the tax under the agreement.

Messrs. Brooks & Taylor and Capt. Sanders ship annually something like 25,000 bushels of clams, so that it is seen the amount involved is no small one.

STEAMER "PIERCE" LEVIED UPON

Shallotte and Wilmington Line Boat Will be Sold to Satisfy Judgment.

To satisfy two executions for collection against the Shallotte and Wilmington Transportation Company, Constable W. B. Savage will, at noon Monday, Feb. 22nd, sell to the highest bidder for cash, at Skinner's ship yard, the steamer "Franklin Pierce," the execution being levied in favor of Messrs. J. A. Springer & Co., coal dealers of this city. With the steamer will be sold all her tackle, furniture, etc. The boat is now tied up at Skinner's in charge of an officer.

The property was levied upon Tuesday of this week, judgment having been obtained in Justice Bornemann's court by Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, counsel for Messrs. Springer & Co., who make claim for coal furnished in January and February of this year to the amount of $133.19 and coal from March to October, 1903, amounting to $128.13.

Surface of Ice.

An almost solid sheet of ice covered Wilmington when morning broke yesterday. Walking was quite disagreeable and one found it almost impossible to preserve the poise necessary to graceful perambulation. Attempts at anything of that kind very often met with the fall that "goeth before pride," and many ludicrous situations were presented to the view of those who chose to stand on a corner and watch "the passing throng." However, no accidents of a serious nature were reported. The street force was engaged much of the morning in shoveling the ice from the sidewalks in front of prominent buildings.

Burglar Entered Residence.

The residence of Mr. E. H. Sneed, No. 415 South Front street, was entered by a burglar early Wednesday night. Miss Ray Sneed had gone to her room on the second floor of the building when she came face to face with a young negro. The young lady screamed and the negro sprang down the steps and out the front door. Mrs. Sneed, who was down stairs, caught a glimpse of the negro as he dashed out.

Converted the Soldiers.

The Southport *Standard* of this week says that as a direct result of the revival in Southport recently, the soldiers of Fort Caswell, many of whom attended the meetings, have destroyed a number of shanties near the fort. These places were veritable gambling dens, the *Standard* understands, and were patronized just after pay day to the great detriment of the men at the post.

New Line of Boats.

The Charleston *News and Courier* says that the Atlantic Coast Lumber Company at Georgetown will soon put on a line of boats on the Pee Dee river, between Georgetown and the Coast Line railroad bridge at Pee Dee. Freights can be delivered there instead of at Scranton or other points on the Coast Line railroad.

Settled the Claim.

The Wilmington Tobacco Warehouse Company yesterday made full settlement of the claim of its late manager, Mr. J. N. Gibbons, the same amounting, with costs, to $907.38.

WILL IT BE WALLACE?

Advices from Washington That Wilmington Postmaster May Be Appointed To-day.

ORGANIZATION'S CANDIDATE,

Assistant Left Last Night for Washington to Join State Chairman Rollins. What President Roosevelt Has Intimated—The Contest.

Assistant Postmaster T. E. Wallace left last night for Washington where to-day he will join State Chairman Rollins, of Asheville. It is now regarded as a certainty that Mr. Wallace will land the postoffice plum and it appears that his appointment will be received with favor by the business element here, who desire a business administration of the affairs of the office. Mr. Wallace said before leaving for Washington last night that he had not given the least consideration to the question of whom he would recommend for assistant postmaster, in the event of his appointment to first place.

In regard to the postoffice contest here W. A. Hildebrand, who is pretty close to the inside workings of Republican politics in Washington, sends the Charlotte *Observer* the following:

A Republican who has recently been in touch with the State organization to day expressed the belief that the contest over the Wilmington postoffice would be brought to an end this week by the appointment of Thomas E. Wallace. Chairman Rollins is expected to arrive here to-morrow and will the day following call at the White House to withdraw his recommendation of Mrs. Russell and ask for the immediate appointment of Mr. Wallace. It was said to-day that this appointment would mean the realization of the fullness of Mr. Wallace's ambition, as he has long sought the place, he having been a candidate at the time Miss Darby was given the office. To President Roosevelt is attributed the expression that, owing to the letter of Judge Russell to Miss Darby, he would not appoint anybody even distantly related to the former Republican Governor.

In writing to the Raleigh *Post* of the Wilmington contest, Thos. J. Pence says:

"It is said that Mr. Rollins has reached the conclusion that he is entitled to the position because of his experience in the office, and secondly because of the fact that he is the choice of the organization in New Hanover and among the State leaders. The contest was between Wallace and John H. Gore, Jr., but the former is said to have had much the stronger backing. This information comes from one high up in Republican circles in the State who is supposed to be close to the State chairman."

ANOTHER BODY RECOVERED.

Sea Gives Up Fourth of Five Bodies from Wreck of Schooner "Clarence H."

The Southport *Standard* of this week has the following:

"The body of Captain Lucian Hewett was found last Saturday at the Towing Company dock. This is the fourth body recovered of the five men who were drowned at sea last December on the sharpie "Clarence H." The sharpie was bound from Shallotte to Wilmington and was lost a few miles from the Cape Fear bar in a gale.

"Officer Phillips was made special coroner by justices Pinner and Newton but an inquest was not deemed necessary. About $13 in money was found on the body. The remains were interred here. The deceased was about twenty-four years old, and was to have been married on his return to Shallotte."

ARION MALE QUARTETTE.

First Class Attraction by Premier Organization at Y. M. C. A. This Evening.

The Arion Male Quartette at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium to-night comes to the management of the Star Course recommended by four previous seasons of continued success for their company. The *Times* of Racine, Wis., says:

"The Arions are well trained, their voices blending in perfect melody, and the result is delightful. Their entertainment is varied, the changes in costume suiting well the motifs of the songs, which were catchy, bright, humorous and sentimental, and from the first were in complete rapport with their audience, eliciting round after round of applause. A distinctive novelty is the Organ Chimes, a rare instrument invented and used only by this quartette."

Lent Begins Next Monday.

In a very few days the Lenten season will be on and Wilmington, socially, is very busy this week crowding many amusements into the time left before devotions are supposed to begin. Numerous card parties have been the order with the society people of the city and many more are yet to come before Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17. The Lenten season ends on April 3 this year, that being Easter day, and contains forty days exclusive of Sundays. The season is commemorative of the forty days which Christ fasted in the wilderness. Coincidentally enough, it has happened that the Passover of the Jews and the Christian Holy Week fall on the same date.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Property Which Exchanged Hands by Deeds Filed for Record Yesterday.

John Taylor and wife to Perry J. and Owen Smith, for $100, property on north side of Wright, 133 feet east of Second street, 63x86 feet in size.

Winnie A. Murray to Alice B. Mote, for $1 and other considerations, property on north side of Bladen, 69 feet east of Fourth street, 37x66 feet in size.

THE NEWS IN RALEIGH.

North Carolina Ice Association—Baptist University Mortgage Cancelled.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 11.—The North Carolina Ice Association held its annual meeting in this city last night and elected E. R. Conger, of Edenton, president; W. E. Thompson, of Greensboro, vice president, and William Dunn, of Newbern, secretary and treasurer. Rocky Mount was selected as the next place of meeting. W. E. Worth, of Wilmington, is a member and ex-president of the Association.

The case of State vs. Patterson, from Durham, involving the question of the application of the "anti-jug" law to all prohibition and dispensary territory in the State, was argued before the Supreme Court to-day, Attorney General Gilmer, H. A. Forshee and R. E. Boon appearing for the State and ex-Judge R. W. Winston and H. E. Bryan, of Durham, for the defendant.

A mortgage of $31,000 against the Baptist Female University here was cancelled yesterday, the entire amount having been paid off, so that the institution is now entirely out of debt.

Establish New Saw Mill.

Whiteville *News*: "S. P. Taylor, of Wilmington, was here yesterday. Mr. Taylor and some other parties have purchased a lot of timber in this county near Wannanish and will put up a saw mill at that place. The mill will cut about 20,000 feet per day, and will be run under the firm name of S. P. Taylor & Co."

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Orient Lodge No. 395, A. F. & A. M.

Emergent communication this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock for work in the First Degree. Visitors cordially invited.

C. C. BROWN, Secretary.

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Notice.

On Monday, the 22nd day of February A. D. 1904, at 12 o'clock M., I will sell at Skinner's ship Yard, near the foot of Church street, to the highest bidder for cash, one steam-tug called "The Franklin Pierce," with all her tackle apparel and furniture, to satisfy two executions in my hands for collection against The Shallotte & Wilmington Transportation Company, in favor of J. A. Springer & Co., and which have been levied on said steam tug as the property of said company defendant.

This 11th day Feb. 1904.

W. B. SAVAGE, Constable.

feb 12 10t

ARE YOUR LUNGS WORTH 50 Cts?

Why do you cough and hack, feel "all broke up" among your friends, and probably lose needed rest at night, when a dose of

Hall's Emulsion Petroleum Comp.,

With Benzoin, will give you almost immediate relief, and a bottle probably cure you completely! We get testimonials almost daily to the value of this remedy. 'Phone us and we will send you a bottle, and if after taking one bottle you should feel dissatisfied return empty bottle and we will refund your money cheerfully.

JAMES M. HALL,
PHARMACIST.
Cor. 5th and Castle Sts., Wilmington, N.C.
jan 24 tf.

On The Ground Floor.

Cotton Seed Meal bought before recent advance.
Cotton Seed Hulls.
One car load Santa Claus.
Soap and Gold Dust Washing Powder,
One car load cracked Corn.
Four car loads Virginia Meal.
Three car loads Corn (2 bus. bags.)
One car load Oats.

These goods bought before recent advance and would pay you to communicate with us before placing orders elsewhere.

STONE & COMPANY
feb 3 tf Wholesale Grocers.

Let Us Book Your Orders for Seed Irish Potatoes.

We have bought the following varieties which we can deliver by February 1st. As we bought some time ago when market was low we can give you the benefit of it.

Genuine Houlton Early Rose,
White Bliss, Early Bovee,
Early Ohio, Pride of the South.

Call on or write to

THE WORTH CO.
jan 7 tf

Folding Bed!

For sale a double Folding Bed of Finest Quality, with Springs and Mattress. Everything as good as new. Will be sold for half its value. Has a large Mirror, and when folded is a handsome piece of furniture.

For further information apply at the

Star Office.

no 28 1w

CLEARING SALE!

Ladies' Hats, Shirt Waists, Cloaks and Skirts

WILL GO AT COST FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

If you want bargains be sure to call, and I would like to have the country merchants to call and see my line of

Summer Hats for Wholesale.

I have made great preparation for the wholesale business this Spring. Have some great bargains in stylish Hats, Ribbons, Waists, Skirts and other goods. The merchant can easily over double his money on anything I would sell him.

PARIS MILLINERY EMPORIUM,
129 Market St., Wilmington, N. C.,
feb 3 tf Next to Bonitz Hotel.

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY,

Two Special Sales at Our Store this Week

Silks and Muslin Underwear.

Special displays of these goods with bargain prices on each display. Call early and make your selection.

Free of Charge.

Handsome hand-made Rolled Gold Wire Novelties made for us by the

MAN IN OUR STORE.

Don't fail to see them.

The C. W. Polvogt Co.
feb 7 tf

The Store That Pays Your Car Fare. **REHDER'S.** The Store That Pays Your Car Fare.

Mill End Sale of Zephyr Ginghams.

3,000 yards in lengths of 1 to 10 yards. The prettiest colors and patterns ever shown here. Very popular for Ladies' Waists and Children's Dresses. Sold in full pieces for 12½ and 15c the yard; mill end price 10c.

TWO GENUINE BARGAINS.

Imported Black Voile, 42 inches wide, was $1.25 the yard, reduced to $1.00.

Black Etamine, Nub Effect, 46 inches wide, was $1.25 the yard, reduced to $1.00.

J. H. REHDER & CO.,
feb 6 tf 615, 617, 619 North Fourth St.

Special Ten Days Bargain Sale.

BALANCE OF WINTER STOCK AT COST.

J. W. H. FUCHS.
'Phone 800 jan 29 tf

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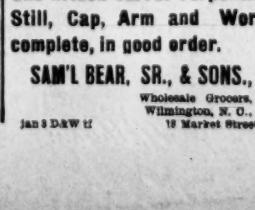

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For no investment will pay you better than "White Knight Cigars." Come in and give them a look. Buy if you like. Looking means no obligation to buy our "White Knight."

THE F. E. HASHAGEN CO.,
Agents for Manufacturers.
jan 14 tf

Valentines! Valentines!!

FINE ASSORTMENT OF

Artistic Valentines and Valentine Cards.

"An Old Sweetheart of Mine," Courtship of Miles Standish" and "The Fortunes of Life" make Valentines worth while.

C. W. YATES & CO.,
Booksellers & Stationers.
feb 7 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Everything Good to Eat

—AT—

The Unlucky Corner,

and prices right.

We run five delivery wagons and deliver promptly.

S. W. SANDERS.
Phone 109. feb 3 tf

For Sale,

One fifteen barrel Turpentine Still, Cap, Arm and Worm complete, in good order.

SAM'L BEAR, SR., & SONS.,
Wholesale Grocers,
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Smith-Davis Company,

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Importers and Dealers in

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Nitrate of Soda.
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WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 12.

HAS JAPAN VIOLATED INTERNATIONAL LAW?

The news that Japan won the victory at Port Arthur last Monday night in the first battle of the war between Japan and Russia, aroused the ire of the people of France. At Paris there was a great wave of popular sympathy for Russia, and immense indignation was felt over what the French consider was treachery and violation of international law and comity on the part of Japan.

The Paris newspapers without exception severely arraigned Japan.

The *Temps* (semi-official) said:

"Japan's brutality in making a night attack before a declaration of war is her second offence against the rules of international law."

The "Patrie" gives sensational prominence to its assertion that Japan committed an act of international treason, compares the attack on the Russian fleet off Port Arthur with the blowing up of the Maine, and asserts that Europe will "hold Japan responsible for this treason."

The French authorities on international law who were interviewed on the subject expressed the belief that Japan committed a breach of international law.

The Paris cablegrams state, however, that notwithstanding this bitterness of the Paris newspapers universal recognition was given of Japan's "audacity," and it was regarded as evident that Japan's naval prestige had been materially increased.

In Russian diplomatic circles at Paris the success of Japan naturally aroused the greatest regret. It was frankly admitted that Russia expected to be defeated upon the sea, but it was added, that she would certainly conquer on land.

This admission that Japan's naval power is superior to that of Russia will open the eyes of the world, and so we are now to look on Russia as a mere land lubber.

There is an old proverb that "All is fair in love and war," but Japan had not declared war. It does look like Japan took a sneak on the Russians under cover of night, but the Russians nevertheless were exexpecting it, for ten days ago the Czar's warships came out of the narrow harbor to keep from being "bottled up," and had a ship cruising outside the roads to watch for the Japanese navy.

The STAR weeks ago expressed the opinion that there was no escape from war and stated that under the circumstances there would be no declaration of war, but that evidently Japan's first act would be to occupy Corea. She prepared the way for that occupation by striking a blow at the Russian navy, so the Czar's warships could not interfere with the transports which are to land Japanese troops in Corea.

International law is really another name for comity between civilized nations, but there is no penalty except the discrediting of the honor of a nation that violates the rules of civilized warfare.

All nations ought to be honorable and fair, and as the principal nations are signtory to the Hague agreement for arbitration, they ought to have it as a principle of the Hague compact that all nations shall declare war before they strike the first blow. However, if there is not a limit to time to begin hostilities after a declaration of war, one nation might declare war one day and be down on its opponent before it is hardly aware of the declaration. Then again, if there must be a notice of time for beginning warfare, it would give opponents an advantage which no nation will hardly be willing to concede.

After all "war is hell," as General Sherman enunciated, and it is not supposed that anything connected with hell contemplates any principle of fairness or honor.

We thought when The Hague tribunal was established that there was an end of all wars, and the time had really come when the "sword shall be beaten into plow shares." We had overlooked the fact that the Bible, the most wonderful of all books, had said that even on the day when the world comes to an end "there will be wars and rumors of wars."

Says the Spartanburg, (S. C.) *Journal*: "It is understood and generally agreed among all except the most hopelessly tiresome and chestnutty jays that during the visit of the two governors of the Carolinas to Spartanburg, April 21st, no reference whatever will be made to the length of time intervening between the indulgence in liquid refreshments." Governor Aycock, of this State, will like as not offer Gov. Heywood a ride on his water wagon.

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One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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TWINKLINGS

— Binks: Fact is, old chap, I find that drink interferes with my work, so I have decided to knock off work. —*Glasgow Evening Times.*

— "Don't you know that you should never let a man kiss you?" "But, mama, it seems so forward for a girl to do the kissing."—*Chicago Evening Post.*

— Bob: Could I be the mother sometimes, instead of always being the doctor? Nellie (scornfully)—How could you be the mother when you haven't got a lap? —*Punch.*

Superstition—"I'm not at all surprised to get this poem back." "Why?" asked his other half. "Because it was the thirteenth time I sent it ont."—*Chicago Daily News.*

— "Ma." "Yes, my son." "Can anything be created more than once?" "No, my boy." "Well, why did you tell pop I had been creating that rumpus again?"—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— "The Biltons are in very much reduced circumstances." "How do you know?" "Well, Bilton has resigned from his club and Mrs. Bilton has stopped going to church." —*Town Topics.*

— Political Manager—Do you think we can depend on Squiggins' honesty and fidelity? Ward Heeler—I am sure of him. The other fellows offered him only half what we're paying him.—*Chicago Tribune.*

— Jones—Do you remember how we all sought fair Mildred's hand with fear and trembling? Smith—And how poor Brown now shuns it with the same feeling when he arrives home late.—*Butte Inter Mountain.*

— Angry Father—Look here, young man, it takes you longer and longer to say good night to my daughter. The Young Man: Well, sir, the nights are longer than they were.—*Smart Set.*

— "Dat man is allus lookin' foh work." "Yes," said Erastus Pinkley, "dat's what he says; but he's one o' deshere people dat goes roun' wid a snow shovel in July an' a pitchfork in January."—*Washington Star.*

— Ascum—Of course your wife always insists upon your doing her bidding? Henpeck—Not always. Once she got mad because I did. She took me to an auction with her one day, and somehow we got to bidding against each other without knowing it.—*Philadelphia Press.*

— "You musn't let your wife get so excited," said the medical man as he turned around to wish the husband good day. "Good gracious, doctor," cried the latter, "you're talking nonsense. If I tried to stop my wife from getting excited, she'd get so excited she'd raise the roof." —*Cleveland Plaindealer.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— It is difficult to understand why J. Pierpont Morgan tied up to men like Schwab when he could have secured some real financiers who were then working in the postal service.—*Washington Post.*

—— The Savannah *Press* says that "high cotton means doubling and trebling the value of Southern farm lands." It means "doubling and trebling" the crop next year; reducing the price and buying supplies on credit that should be raised at home.

—— The way things have begun is for various reasons satisfactory and even gratifying. Most people's sympathies are with the Japanese, because it is the prevailing opinion that they are in the right, which is one reason why the news will be generally well received; and another reason is that if the Japs go on as they have begun the campaign will be soon over, and the dangers inseparable from a prolonged struggle will be avoided—*Philadelphia Inquirer.*

—— But there is a bright side. Baltimore will need Southern lumber and Southern iron in rebuilding, and the Southern people, on their part, will do all in their power to aid Baltimore to repair her loss. There are occasions when sentiment does enter into business, and this is one of them. Baltimore will find that the words of tender sympathy which have been so generously said in all sections are not the mere expressions of a passing emotion, but are prophetic of substantial help. In a few years Baltimore will be greater and richer than ever, and the calamity of 1904 will have been forgotten. Look at Galveston, Charleston and Jacksonville. There are few signs in any of them of recent disasters, except that the new buildings are much finer than those which were destroyed.—*Richmond Times-Dispatch.*

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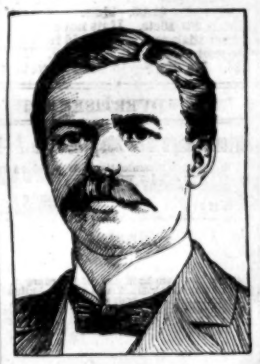
THE DAIRYMAN

Advice to dairymen about raising their own dairy cows is given by A. C. McPherson of Vinton county, O., in Country Gentleman as follows:

If dairymen would depend upon raising their dairy animals themselves the result would be much more satisfactory, as a rule, than to buy from stockmen or speculators in a haphazard way any "pickups" that are offered. In order to begin right in rearing our own dairy stock calves should be selected whose granddams on both sides had a good record at the pail or churn; then there will be a reasonable hope that the calf will evolve into a profitable member of the dairy. If we are in the dairy business for milk then the attention is drawn toward the animal which will turn her food and energies into furnishing an abundance of milk, but if the aim of the dairyman be cream or butter he does not care if the amount of milk be large or small so it yields a proper amount of butter fat. But if the dairyman deems the rearing of calves only a "side issue" and as a result gives only indifferent treatment he might just as well buy his cows, for a stunted calf is a pitiable object and will never fulfill its destiny, no maitter what its after treatment may be. Extravagance in the feeding of the calf is pardonable—parsimoniousness, never! Extravagant feeding—it would be called by many—means milk fresh from the cow or new milk for at least three weeks after the birth of the calf, and the calf that is not worth what new milk it can consume during the first few weeks of its life is not worth the rearing. Let me emphasize that the first weeks of the calf's existence determine its value later on.

Sollie In Second Place.

John Sollie, who won first prize at the National Creamery Buttermakers' convention in 1902, was beaten by M.



JOHN SOLLIE.

Sondergaard at the 1903 convention, recently held, though the winner's margin was only .09 of a point, a margin so small that it must have tested the judges' taste to detect it. The scores of the first three were: M. Sondergaard, 96.75; John Sollie, 96.66; F. H. Kelling, 94.91. The two first named are Minnesota men. Kelling resides at Jefferson, Mo.

Cost of Running a Creamery.

The total cost for running a creamery and marketing the product, including interest on the investment and provision for a sinking fund, ought not to exceed 3½ cents for every pound of butter made. Under favorable conditions this cost ought to be reduced to 3 or even as low as 1½ cents. The smallest practical creamery cannot be operated for less than $4 or $5 per day. It becomes evident, then, that the daily product should be over 150 pounds as a safe minimum; consequently no creamery should be put into operation unless having control or a promise of about 300 cows.—Oscar Erf, University of Illinois.

Importance of the Farmer.

Let us bear in mind that in the creamery business the farmer, the man who furnishes the milk, is the most important factor. This should be had in view when shaping the policy of conventions.

Inside the creamery the buttermaker is the most important factor. There he is pretty much the whole thing. But the buttermaker and his factory don't amount to much without a goodly supply of milk or cream. The farmer is the foundation—yea, the foundation plus the four walls of the institution. If the farmer does not make money—that is, get a profit from his labor and his investment—the creamery cannot long succeed, and the buttermaker cannot hope to be long in business.

Don't exclude the farmer from your convention programmes. Let him take part in all the discussions it is possible to get him to take part in. It will result in good to the creamery and to all connected with the creamery.—A. E. Anderson in Creamery Journal.

To Test Keeping Qualities.

Danish dairy societies have just decided to test the keeping quality of the butter sent to the shows of the provinces. The samples will be placed in cold storage and there held for ten days, about the time required for placing the product on the table of the English consumer, at a temperature corresponding as closely as possible to that which the butter would meet in transit. The state has made an additional appropriation to cover expenses of cold storage for the first year.

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I am a great sufferer from fall and winter colds, and until some one told me of Cheney's Expectorant I could find nothing to help me or enable me to sleep at night. This expectorant does it all.

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SWINE BREEDING

W. A. Vandiver gives the following account in the Swine Breeders' Journal of his experiment with the Yorkshire cross:

I have been crossing Poland-China sows with pure Large Yorkshire boars for four years, and I get more pigs and better ones than I ever got before. They are stronger and more thrifty growers and fatten on less feed than any hog I ever saw. Now take the increased number and the saving in feed, and we have much larger profits from a given number of sows. This is not all. They are hardier and not so liable to disease as the native breeds. A few years ago I had seventy head of the native hogs and forty-six Yorkshire and Poland-China crosses, and cholera set in among them, and I lost the entire herd of natives and only four of the cross breeds. I fed the forty-two crosses awhile and then sold them at 5 cents above the market. They brought $460. If the other seventy had been crosses and I had saved the same per cent I would have had $704 more. Now, these are facts, and I have good reason to like and recommend the Large Yorkshire to my neighbors. I had twenty-six crosses that averaged 175 pounds at a little less than five months old. Last spring twelve sows had 100 pigs and saved ninety of them, and they were the thriftiest lot I ever saw.

The Alfalfa Hog.

It will not be a great while until the term "alfalfa hog" means a different type from that grown east. When the railroads master the problem of carrying hogs through without disease quite a per cent of the pork of the country will be grown west of the corn belt, where alfalfa does better than in the central states. We look for the time when our pigs will be shipped east to cattle feeders and farmers who have more corn than hogs. These shotes, when put on a heavy corn diet, whether on an alfalfa farm or not, make rapid gains and, we believe, will make better use of corn than hogs grown on a corn ration. Everybody in this country knows that hogs grown on alfalfa have much greater resisting power to cholera than those grown on corn and subjected to the same disease under the same conditions.—Field and Farm.

Spots on Chester White Pigs.

Pedigreed Chester Whites when bred together always produce pigs without black spots, says W. P. Naudain in Breeder's Gazette. He speaks of the original Chester Whites as bred in southern Pennsylvania and northern Delaware, where the breed originated. These pigs have been bred without foreign blood for the past eighty years. They have taken such a hold on the people in that section that at the least one-half of the pigs are Chester Whites. At a small county fair held in northern Delaware the pens were filled entirely with Chester Whites, not another breed being represented.

Don't Overfeed Brood Sows.

The brood sow is grown to raise her kind in future years and not to compete with other hogs at a fat stock show, says Stockman and Farmer. The two kinds of hogs are grown for different ends and are treated differently, and, whatever may happen the latter in its unnatural existence, the breeder of the brood sow should have care that his sows are neither forced into living lard barrels nor a mushroom-like development of bone and muscle. The laboratory inside the sow must do duty for years, and it is of the greatest importance that it be not crippled for usefulness in early life.

Prize Chester Whites.

The herd of Chester White hogs, of which the three shown here are a part, is owned by Dorsey Bros. of Pike coun-

GOOD HOGS FOR THE CORN BELT.

ty, Ill. Last fall it took prizes at all the state and local fairs where exhibited. The hogs are compact, uniform, not too coarse and good breeders. As a hog for the corn belt they give excellent satisfaction, being prime favorites among the white breeds.—Breeder's Gazette.

Good Sized Bones Are Necessary.

Small bones in a large hog is a condition that should not be desired. If the bones are very light it is a fact that the percentage of flesh covers the deficiency. But would it not be better to have still more flesh supported by still stronger and heavier bones? A big hog should have big bones and little hogs little bones. Our best breeders and judges insist on strong limbs and good sized bones as necessary to the vigor and symmetry of the hog.—Farm and Ranch.

Couldn't Improve the Method.

Mrs. Chugwater—I'd be ashamed to sleep in church the way you do.

Mr. Chugwater—I can't help it. It's the only way I know how to sleep.—Chicago Tribune.

THE BUGLER'S CHEST

Is well expanded. He uses his lungs to their fullest capacity. People in ordinary do not use much over half their lung power. The unused lung surface becomes inert, and offers a prepared ground for the attack of the germs of consumption. There is no need to warn people

of the danger of consumption, but warning is constantly needed not to neglect the first symptoms of diseased lungs.

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"About three years ago I was taken with a bad cough, vomiting and spitting blood," writes Mr. D. J. Robinson, of Spring Garden, W. Va. "I tried many remedies; nothing seemed to help me till I commenced using Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. After using ten bottles and four vials of his 'Pleasant Pellets,' I commenced to improve. My case seemed to be almost a hopeless one. Doctors pronounced it ulcer of the lungs. I was sick nearly two years—part of the time bedfast. Was given up to die by all. I thought it would be impossible for me to live over night at one time. I haven't spit any blood now for more than twelve months, and worked on the farm all last summer. It was Dr. Pierce's medicines that cured me."

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WHY CREAM TESTS VARY.

Professor Farrington Answers a Question Which is Often Asked.

In answer to a correspondent as to the cause of so much variation in the tests of cream, Professor E. H. Farrington in the Country Gentleman replies as follows:

"Cream often contains considerable air mixed with it, either that which is forced into it when milk is skimmed by a cream separator or from the gases formed when cream sours. On account of these gases a pipette full of such cream will hold a certain amount of air, and consequently not the full volume of cream. Cream is so much thicker than milk that more or less of it adheres to the inside walls of the pipette when it is emptied. The glass does not drain so thoroughly as when milk is measured, and there is left considerable fat in this cream adhering to the walls of the pipette. This adhering cream is not of uniform quantity. More of it may be left in the pipette from some creams than from others. The amount which sticks to the pipette depends a great deal on the richness and ripeness of the cream measured. Cream bottles and pipettes may not be accurately graduated. One person may test cream by measuring into the cream test bottle with a 17.6 c. c. pipette, and another may test by weighing the cream after it is measured into the test bottle. There is a difference in the tests made by weight and by measuring the cream. A thin cream containing about 15 per cent fat may be measured with a pipette and fairly correct results obtained, because a pipette full of such thin cream will weigh nearly eighteen grams. But a pipette full of rich cream containing 40 or more per cent will weigh somewhere about sixteen grams, and when this is measured into a test bottle the result obtained will not be nearly so accurate as may be the case when a thinner cream is measured and tested. On account of the effect which the fat and the air bubbles in cream may have on its weight it is always safest in testing cream to use a scale for weighing the quantity tested in each bottle. In cream testing as well as in milk testing it is necessary that acid of the proper strength should be used, that the tester should be run at full speed and the required length of time, and that the test bottle chamber should be kept warm during the whirling. The temperature of the bottles during testing may be regulated in steam turbine testers by the arrangements now provided on the modern machines of this type. If a hand tester is used the cream bottles should be kept warm by placing them in hot water and by adding hot water to the tester while they are being whirled. A difference in temperature of twenty or more degrees will affect the length of the fat column and consequently the per cent of fat read on the neck of the bottles."

World's Fair Dairy Barns.

The barns for the dairy department of the world's fair at St. Louis are being constructed, and they will be ready to receive their occupants before the first of the year. Their location is at the north end of the live stock site and just west of the proposed live stock forum or main amphitheater. The barns will be uniform octagons 100 feet in diameter. Each will have thirty-eight stalls arranged in a semicircle with a rear promenade twelve feet wide to accommodate visitors. Eight box stalls 8 by 12 feet will be provided for the cows at calving time, and two box stalls will furnish quarters for bulls.

Raising Dairy Calves Without Milk.

The Pennsylvania experiment station finds little difficulty in raising prime dairy calves without milk after they are two weeks old. The cost of raising calves on a milk substitute up to the time they can be put on a hay and grain ration, or when three or four months old, need not exceed $10, exclusive of care. Calves from high class, well bred dairy stock when raised in this way are worth much more than they cost and are the only means by which a milk dairyman can raise his herd to a high standard.

Low Round Trip Rates Via Atlantic Coast Line.

Mobile, Ala.—$33.30 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. On payment of 50 cents an extension of limit to March 5th may be secured.

Pensacola, Fla.—$32.70 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at Pensacola and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be obtained.

New Orleans, La.—$35.35 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at New Orleans and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be secured. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had consumption, and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery, and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, February 11.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 63c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.60 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel for hard, $4.25 for dip, $4.25 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 62c; rosin firm at $1.70@1.75 bid; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.20, 3.75@3.75.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	1
Rosin	23
Tar	40
Crude turpentine	48

Receipts same day last year—21 casks spirits turpentine, 401 barrels rosin, 255 barrels tar, 96 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Nothing doing.

Same day last year, market firm at 8¼c for middling.

Receipts—163 bales; same day last year, 799.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 80c; extra prime, 85c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, $1.00.

CORN—Firm; 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Firm at 23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 10@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@28c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6¼c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@55c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3¼c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Money on call easy at 1¾@2¼ per cent; closing at 1¾ per cent.; offered at 1¾ per cent; time loans easier; sixty days 3¾ per cent.; ninety days 4 per cent.; six months 4¼@4¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5¾ per ct. Sterling exchange was steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485.50@485.55 for demand and at 482.50@482.60 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates 483¾@484 and 486¼. Commercial bills 482. Bar silver 58¾. Mexican dollars 44¼. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104¼; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 104¼; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 106; do. coupon, ex int, 106; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132½; do. coupons, 132½; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107; U. S. 4's, old coupon, 107; U. S. 5's, registered, —; do. coupon, —; Southern Railway, 5's, 112. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 88; Chesapeake & Ohio 31¾; Manhattan L 141¾; New York Central 114¾; Reading 41¾; do. 1st preferred 79; do. 2nd preferred 57; Southern Railway 30¾; do. pref'd 80¾; Amalgamated Copper 47; People's Gas 100¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 86¾; U. S. Leather 7½; U. S. Leather, preferred, 76¾; Western Union 87¾; U. S. Steel 11½; do. preferred 57; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 28¾; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 100 bid; sales — shares. Standard Oil 640.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Rosin firm. Spirits turpentine dull at 67@68.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 11.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing. Quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 11.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 64c; receipts 52 casks; sales — casks; exports 64 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 1,393 barrels; sales 4,943 barrels; exports 1,548 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 70; D, $2 70; E, $2 75; F, $2 80; G, $2 85; H, $2 85; I, $3 20; K, $3 25; M, $3 30; N, $3 35; W G, $3 45; W W $3 75.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of twenty one to fifty-two points on covering and moderate bull support following higher cables than expected, reports of a good spot demand at advancing prices, and rumors that a fresh bull syndicate had been formed. There was, however, no sign of aggressive buying for long account, and after the call the market ruled comparatively quiet. There was a good deal of profit-taking by yesterday's buyers who were not disposed to carry their holdings over the holiday in view of the possibility of complications in the Far East, and during the forenoon there were frequent though narrow set-backs, with the market generally showing an upward tendency until shortly after midday. March was quoted at 13 85, May 15 09 and July at 14.18, a net advance of sixty-eight to seventy-four points on these positions. This level attracted heavier offerings, but after a recession of eight or ten points the market showed resistance to a further decline, ruling generally steady to firm, although there seemed to be little buying from the recognized bull sources. New Orleans sent some buying orders here and some of the wire houses with Southern connections were operating, but business for the most part was local. Just before the close the local bull leader bid for March, rallying the market to about the best for the day. The close was very steady at a net advance of thirty-five to seventy-two points. Sales were estimated at 400,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Cotton quiet at 14.80c; net receipts 43 bales; gross receipts 4,946 bales; stock 76,430 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 55 points higher; middling uplands 14.80; middling gulf 15.05c; sales 100 bales.

Cotton futures closed very steady: February 13.66, March 13.81, April 13.96, May 14.09, June 14.15, July 14.17, August 14.35, September 13.68, October 11.84, November nominal, December 11.40.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 14,945 bales; exports to Great Britain 4,075 bales; exports to France 3,847 bales; exports to the Continent 504 bales; exports to Japan 1,175 bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 747,647 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 110,103 bales; exports to Great Britain 24,563 bales; exports to France 3,379 bales; exports to the Continent 13,093 bales; exports to Japan 2,149 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,306,733 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,846,727 bales; exports to France 606,220 bales; exports to the Continent 2,133 946 bales; exports to Japan 36,906 bales; exports to Mexico 23,073 bales.

Feb. 11.—Galveston, firm at 13¼c, net receipts 1,954 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 1,800 bales; Baltimore, nominal at —c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 14 25, net receipts 25 bales; Wilmington, nothing doing, net receipts 163 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 15.05, net receipts 104 bales; Savannah, steady at 13¾, net receipts 2,087 bales; New Orleans, steady at 13¾c, net receipts 3,778 bales; Mobile, nominal at —, net receipts 494 bales; Memphis, firm at 14c, net receipts 1,347 bales; Augusta, nominal at 14¼c, net receipts 425 bales; Charleston, nominal at —, net receipts 23 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Flour was moderately active and firm. Rye flour firm. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 97c. Options opened steady but at once developed heaviness. Later everything was recovered, closing partially net unchanged: May closed 97c; July closed 93¾c; September closed 88¼c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 60c. Option market was weak early under liquidation but eventually recovered with wheat and at the close was ¼c net higher: May closed 52c; July closed 53¼c; August —c; September 56¼c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2 43¼c. Lard firm; Western steam $7 95; refined quiet. Rice steady. Butter firm; extra creamery 26c; State dairy 14@21c. Cheese steady; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12c; late made 11¼; small white, September 12; late made 10¾. Eggs—Market steady; State and Pennsylvania nearby average, finest 34@35c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 4¾c; other domestic 3¾@6c. Potatoes steady; Long Island $3 00@3 50; Jerseys $2 75@3 25; Jersey sweets $1 50@3 75; State and Western sacks $2 50@3 65. Cabbage steady; domestic, per ton, $25 00@35 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Tallow dull. Pork firm; family $16 00; short clear $14 50@16 00; mess $15 50. Sugar—Raw steady; refined steady. Molasses firm. Cotton seed oil quiet and steady, without change: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 30¼@31c; prime summer yellow 38@38½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 41c; prime winter yellow 40@42c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Profit-taking caused a decline of 1¾c in the price of May wheat to-day. A large part of the loss was regained, however, on buying influenced by war rumors. Compared with last night's quotations, the final figures to-day for May wheat were ¾c lower. May corn closed ½c up and ¾c higher. Provisions were 5c lower to 7½c higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Cash prices: Flour was firm. Wheat—No. 3 spring 88@97c; No. 3 spring 89@94c; No. 2 red 93¾@96¾. Corn—No. 2 49¼; No. 2 yellow 49¾c. Oats—No. 2 40¾@41c; No. 3 white 40@43¼c. Rye—No. 2 62. Mess pork, per bbl., $14 50@14 62½. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 50@7 55. Short rib sides, loose, $6 75@7 00. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, not reported. Short clear sides, boxed, $7 12½@7 25. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 96@96¾, 96@96¾, 94¾, 95¾@95¾c; July 87¾@87¾, 88¾, 86¾, 87¾c; September 83¾@83¾, 83¾, 82¾, 83¼c. Corn—No. 2 February 50¾c; May 53¾@53¾, 54¼, 53¾, 53¾@54c; July 51¾@51¾, 52¾, 51¾, 52¾@52¾c. Oats—No. 2 February 40¼c; May 41¾@42¾, 43¼, 41¾, 43c; July 38¾, 39¾@39¾, 38¾, 39¼c; September 33¼, 33¾, 33¾, 33¾@33¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $14 70, 14 85, 14 43¾, 14 83¾; July $14 77½, 14 83¾, 14 55, 14 77½. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $7 70, 7 75, 7 65, 7 72½; July $7 75, 82½, 7 70, 7 82½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $7 15, 7 17½, 7 05, 7 13½; July $7 27½, 7 30, 7 19¾, 7 25.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Coffee—Spot Rio nominal; No. 7 invoice 7 13 16c; mild steady; Cordova 8¼@13½c. The market for coffee futures opened steady and 10@30 points higher. The market ruled firm during the entire session, closing steady at a net advance of 25@40 points. Sales 201,000 bags.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 11.—Cotton: Spot, moderate business; prices 24 points higher; American middling fair 7.44d; good middling 7.28d; middling 7.18d; low middling 7.13d; good ordinary 7.03d; ordinary 6.89d. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, of which 600 bales were for speculation and export and included 5,200 bales American. Receipts 12,000 bales, including 6,000 bales American.

Futures opened steady and closed steady; American middling (g o c): February 7.13d; February and March 7.13d; March and April 7.16d; April and May 7.18d; May and June 7.19d; June and July 7.19d; July and August 7.18d; August and September 7.08d; September and October 6.43d; October and November 6.15d.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 12.

STEAMERS.

Toloss, (Br) 3,099 tons, Holtum, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Warner, J T Riley & Co.

Harold J McCarty, 251 tons, Flynn, C D Mafflt.

Abbie G Cole, 333 tons, Cole, J T Riley & Co.

Rachel W Stevens, 1,032 tons, Stevens, C D Mafflt.

Ralph M Hayward, 529 tons, Trimm, C D Mafflt.

Brine P Pendleton, 831 tons, Hutchinson, C D Mafflt.

M C Haskell, 399 tons, Wingfield, C D Mafflt.

C C Lane, 306 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Mafflt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—4 barrels tar, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—163 bales cotton, 37 barrels tar, 31 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—1 barrel tar.

Steamer Whitlock—1 cask spirits turpentine, 33 barrels rosin, 8 barrels tar, 13 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—163 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 33 barrels rosin, 40 barrels tar, 48 barrels crude turpentine.

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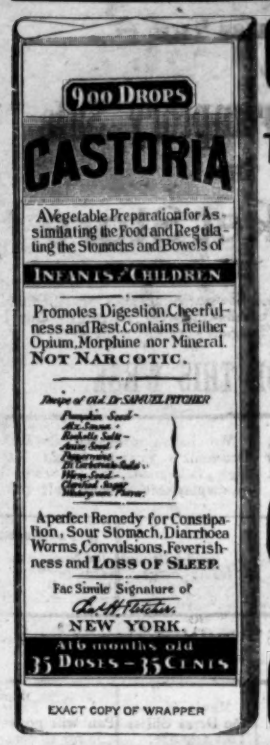
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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Murchison National Bank,

of Wilmington, N. C.,

At close of business Jan. 12, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,090 218 50	Capital	$ 300,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	300,00 00	Surplus and net profits	118,041 46
Bank Building	25,000 00	Circulation	25,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	683 768 89	Deposits	1,680,433 33
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Comparative statement of deposits,
Jan. 22nd, 1902, $657,506 76. Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,304,812 99 Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,680,433 33.

H. C. McQUEEN, President, J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Winston-Salem was fortunate in having few fires the past year. The losses were not a thousand dollars in a period of twelve months, which is truly remarkable for a city of that size.

— The Republicans could not make a big morning daily pay in Greensboro and we doubt if any other party could do it. The newspaper with nothing but its politics to recommend it is not what it once was in North Carolina.—*Durham Herald.*

—Winston *Journal*, Feb. 10th: The Winston Furniture Company received to-day one of the largest orders for export shipment ever received by any furniture factory of the South. It will require about ten cars to transport this shipment.

— Asheville *Citizen*: The Appalachian Park bill seems to be in danger of being sidetracked. The people of North Carolina should now buckle on their armour and present a united front to the national legislators who threaten to ignore our interests.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Fayetteville has all the sanitary and climatic advantages possessed by Pinehurst, sites possessing more than its natural beauties, in every direction with a radius of five miles, and the very best of social, school and church advantages. This ought to be the great half-way resort between New York and Florida.

— Greensboro *Argus*: The truckers of this vicinity have been very much retarded in their planting operations by the spells of bad weather we have been experiencing of late, and are still undergoing. Only three days ago people could walk about the streets in their shirt sleeves with comfort and to-day icicles are hanging from the telegraph wires.

— Hon. W. D. Siler, of Siler City, a representative in the State Legislature is acknowledged to be the largest rabbit raiser in North Carolina, and he probably has the biggest rabbit industry in the South. Mr. Siler has given up practicing law as a profession and has gone to raising rabbits for the market. On Wednesday he carried to Raleigh 40,672 rabbits.

— Principal Farlow, of the West Salem public school, who was tried before Magistrates Jenkins, Bynum and Rabinson Tuesday afternoon, was fined $10 for whipping four pupils. Through his counsel, Hon. C. B. Watson, notice of appeal to the Superior Court was given. Lawyers W. M. Hendren and G. H. Hasten represented the prosecution.

— Asheville *Citizen:* The four hundred English gunners who recently took service in the Japanese navy were evidently on hand yesterday, when two Russian vessels hauled down their flags. Does Russia remember the Crimean war, when the fathers of the present marksmen saw the same flag slide down the mast?

— Winston-Salem *Sentinel*: Now let war come. We are ready for action. The telegraph boy has a good pair of legs, the headline type is about a hundred point and pretty full fonts, our news editor has a most magnificent sketch of the imagination just ready, the newsboys are practicing on their larynxes, we have ordered a new shooting stick, and we are protected from all outside interference by having the office towel in easy reach.

— Winston-Salem is to have a big office building. It is to be a sky-scraper—not less than eight stories in height. Mr. Edward W. O'Hanlon, an enterprising and progressive druggist, has purchased the S. A. Ogburn corner, paying $25,000, and proposes to erect the most modern structure of the kind in North Carolina. The enterprising druggist will occupy the first floor for his drug business and also expects to establish a manufacturing enterprise in connection with his present business when his new building is completed.

— At Raleigh on Wednesday the last outstanding dollar held against the Baptist Female University, was paid. Prof. L. D. Watson, Treasurer of the Baptist University carried the original copy of the $31,000 mortgage held by the Raleigh Savings Bank marked satisfied in full by the bank, and Mr. W. H. Hood, deputy clerk in the register of deeds office, canceled it on exhibition. The mortage was made on September 14, 1899, in the amount of $20,000 and also $11,000. The principal and the interest amounted to $33,000.

— Winston *Sentinel*: The work on the new union passenger station has reached the point were the brickmasons are putting the ornamental top on the handsome and imposing tower. The rest of the building has been under roof for a little while. In the course of the next week the station will very probably be in use, and its elegance, comfort and convenience will tickle the traveling public. —— A Republican daily newspaper in Greensboro may be made a success but every one that has been started in the State in the past proved to be a financial failure.

— Raleigh *Times*: At the World's Fair at St. Louis in 1904 the North Carolina exhibit will occupy 10,000 square feet, and there will be five different exhibits from this State. The first will be our mining and mineral exhibit in the mining building. The second and third will be our forestry and fishery exhibits in the forestry and commercial buildings. The fourth will be the agricultural exhibit in the agricultural building. These exhibits will be full and complete, and there will be absolutely nothing lacking in their make up. The North Carolina World's Fair commission has already received its plans for the State's exhibits and these will be forwarded to the proper officials at St. Louis directly. North Carolina will have excellent exhibits, and although there have been no large appropriations made for our exhibits at the fair this State will surpass all others in superiority of displays. This has been demonstrated at Chicago, Paris and other large expositions.

Dr. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

ANIMAL SENSE.

Examples in Defense of the Claim That Beasts of the Field Reason.

In a recent magazine article Mr. John Burroughs has tried to show that animals do not have sense or, in other words, that their actions are regulated entirely by instinct and not at all by reason. For a number of years I have thought that some of our domestic animals, especially horses, cattle and dogs, reasoned a great deal, and I do not believe a man can become a good stockman without taking the reasoning faculty of animals into consideration.

This year I have an Angus cow that is a heavy milker. I keep her calf in the barn and let the cow to it morning and night. The calf can only take about half what the cow gives, and the rest I have to milk in a bucket. The cow is very gentle, never offering to kick if I do not try to milk her until after the calf is through. But if I undertake to milk her before the calf has got his share she will kick and act very badly.

Another time I turned some young calves out that had been in the barn since they were dropped. They all went off with their dams except one. Its dam was not in the yard at the time, and instead of following the other cattle to the pasture it crawled through the fence and ran off to some timber. Calves at this age cannot see very well, and it is almost impossible to drive them. I went to the pasture and brought the mother of the calf home and drove her out toward where the calf was. There was a strong wind blowing from the calf toward the cow, so that she scented her calf when fifteen or twenty rods away and before she could see it. She supposed, of course, that her calf was in the barn, but as soon as she got the scent she went readily toward it, lowing in the peculiar way that cattle do when they call their calves. As she came nearer the calf was afraid of her and ran away. The cow did not give chase, but remained where she was and called. When the calf stopped she gradually worked up to it and finally succeeded in letting it know that she was its mother. After that it was an easy matter to drive the two together to the pasture again.

I think that in the two instances given the cows showed reasoning ability. At least by assuming that they could reason I saved myself considerable trouble.—F. E. Moses in Breeder's Gazette.

Not Mouth and Foot Disease.

It is worthy of note that the recent announcement of an outbreak of foot and mouth disease on a Massachusetts farm was a sad error. The facts as officially determined are that some of the professors of the Harvard medical school were experimenting on that farm with a cowpox lymph of unusual virulence, and the appearance of the ulcers on the cows' mouths which suggested foot and mouth disease was found to be due to the inoculation with this virulent lymph.

The Pig With a Sore Mouth.

A very troublesome thing the busy farmer has to contend with is sore mouth in little pigs. The only way to prevent this is to take out their little tusks when they are about one day old. It is fighting for the teat that causes this and is very much worse in wet weather than in dry on account of the mud that forms a sore, followed by inflammation and swelling. A very good remedy is to wash off with carbolic acid and warm water; use only a very little carbolic acid.—Exchange.

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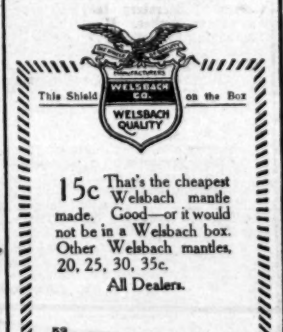

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STATEMENT OF THE

Atlantic Trust and Banking Company,

Wilmington, N. C.

At close of business, January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from report to Corporation Commission. Began business September, 1902.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$384,958 54	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	100 00	Undivided profits	12 252 41
Cash on hand and in Banks	19,986 93	Deposits	342,764 56
Total	$404,995 47	Total	$404,995 47

MATT J. HEYER, President. B. R. J. AHRENS, Vice President

MITCHELL F. ALLEN, Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

L. B. Rogers, B. Solomon, B. H. J. Ahrens, R. R. Bellamy, Martin O'Brien, I. M. Bear, John H. Kuck, D. McEachern, C. W. Yates, J. G. L. Gieschen, Matt J. Heyer. jan 26 tf

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feb 7 tf Wilmington, N. C.

REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$ 996,214 30
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	845 04
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits	172,500 00
Stocks, securities, etc	32,000 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned	10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	95,453 45
Due from State Banks and Bankers	133,617 94
Due from approved reserve agents	107,086 25
Notes of other National Banks	$3,500 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,951 88
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	$ 0 500 00
Legal tender notes	$81,000 00 — $106,951 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)	5,400 00
Total	$1,803,788 02

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 135,000 00
Surplus fund	135,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	70,137 97 — 135,137 97
National Bank notes outstanding	125,000 00
Due to other National Banks	188,797 86
Due to State Banks and Bankers	259,469 72
Dividends unpaid	413 00
Individual deposits subject to check	730,539 18
Cashiers checks outstanding	20,689 96
United States deposits	173,800 00 — 1,928,630 22
Total	$1,803,768 00

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22d day of November, 1903.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

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Forclosure Sale.

By virtue of the provisions of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by George H. James to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, recorded in Book No. 38, page 674, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover County in Wilmington on the 8th day of February, 1904, the following described lot of land in said city: Beginning at a point in the Eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet south of the southern line of Wooster street, runs thence east parallel with Wooster street 55 feet, thence South parallel with Seventh street 66 feet; thence west parallel with Wooster street 55 feet; thence north with the eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet to the beginning.

WILMINGTON HOMESTEAD & LOAN ASSOCIATION. by

jan 17 20t JOHN D. BELLAMY, Attorney.

Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Court of New Hanover county, in the case of Joseph Turner and Emma Turner vs. Whitfield Turner and Richard Turner, the undersigned commissioner will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, on Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1904, at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, the following property: Beginning in the northern line of Campbell street 41¼ feet west of the western line of Eighth street, runs thence west with the northern line of Campbell street 41¼ feet; thence north parallel with Eighth street 66 feet; thence east parallel with Campbell street 41¼ feet; thence south parallel with Eighth street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 5, Block 53.

T. E. BROWN, Commissioner.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
3 Passg'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Passg'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 39	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 23	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

SCHEDULE

CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS,

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

Effective October 21st, 1903.

LEAVE.

Wilmington.	Wrightsville for Wil.	Beach.
** 7.00 A. M.	8.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.	5.00 P. M.
††6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.30 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.
†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach.

FREIGHT.

Small freight shipments will be carried on all passenger cars except 3 P. M. trips. Special arrangements for transportation of large shipments or bulky freight can be made by applying at the office. dec 15 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Jan 10, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	6 20 p m
Ar Goldsboro	11 21 p m	9 08 p m
Ar Wilson	1 15 p m	10 50 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 16 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 58 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 56 p m	3 25 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 32 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 17 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 38 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 30 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 38 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 48 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 20 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 05 a m	7 30 p m	3 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	6 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 35 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 00 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 00 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	8 14 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 59 p m	9 05 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 5 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 15 p m	Ar 1 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	4 25 p m	Ar 12 35 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

Trains Nos. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

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Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m, arrive Lumberton 5:35 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:45 p m, Hamlet 7:25 p m arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 9:18 a m, Pembroke 9:55 a m, Maxton 4:05 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m, Hamlet 8:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:02 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:35 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 50 a m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	10 30 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Greenwood	12 57 p m	4 17 a m
Ar Athens	2 30 p m	6 55 a m
Ar Atlanta	8 05 p m	7 30 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 20 a m
Ar Savannah	2 20 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 25 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	8 50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 50 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	5 20 p m
Ar Norfolk		

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 05 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 58 p m
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	8 05 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 p m	11 05 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 20 p m

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SOUTHBOUND.

Lv New York	12 55 p m
Lv Jersey City	1 15 p m
Lv Philadelphia	3 35 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 45 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 05 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St.)	2 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	3 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 58 a m
Ar Camden	6 20 a m
Ar Columbia (E. T.)	7 04 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	8 20 a m
Ar Savannah	2 40 p m
Ar Thalmann	11 04 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 20 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Ar St. Augustine	2 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 20 p m
Lv Thalmann	3 07 P M
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	8 30 p m
Lv Columbia (E. T.)	9 35 p m
Lv Camden	10 14 p m
Lv Hamlet	12 05 a m
Ar Southern Pines	12 45 p m
Lv Raleigh	3 42 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

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dec 27 1m MARY McL. HANKINS.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 12.

SENATE WILL VOTE ON PANAMA TREATY

Some Day Between February 15th and 23d, Decided Upon in Executive Session. St. Louis Loan in the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The Senate will vote on the Panama treaty on some day between February 15th and 23d. An agreement was reached in executive session to-day to take action on Monday next to decide upon a time for voting on the treaty, and it was determined that such date should be on or before February 23d.

The Senate was in executive session for more than four hours, and after the agreement to vote on the treaty had been reached nearly the entire time was devoted to general discussion of the encroachments of the Senate and the President on each others' prerogatives under the constitution. Senator Teller opened the debate on this subject, in a speech lasting more than two hours, and filled with incidents where the Senate has interfered with the President in regard to making Federal appointments. He aroused a number of the Republican leaders to the defence of President Roosevelt. Some of the Republicans agreed with Senator Teller that there have been many encroachments by the White House upon the rights of the Senate. The political phases of the debate were finally eliminated, with the result that several administrations were discussed and brought under the ban of disapproval. The first was the Cleveland administration, in which it was said that the President used undue influence for the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act. President McKinley's influence upon Republican members of the Senate for the ratification of the Paris treaty, and President Roosevelt's pressure in bringing about the ratification of the Cuban treaty, and also the influence he has brought to bear looking to the ratification of the Panama canal treaty, were cited as instances in which the Senate has not been left free to deal with these topics according to individual judgment. The criticism was not alone of the administration, several senators, including Spooner, Allison, Teller, DuBois, Gallinger and Platt of Connecticut, agreeing that the Senate had often insisted upon the appointment of certain men for executive positions against the wish of the Presidents mentioned.

House of Representatives.

The House to-day by a vote of 172 to 103 concurred in the Senate amendment to the Urgent Deficiency Appropriation bill authorizing a loan of $4,600,000 by the government to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, after amending it with respect to the manner in which the money shall be paid. The proposition was strongly opposed in the debate which covered portions of three days and ended to-day by agreement. There was no party alignment on the measure, its supporters being composed of Republicans and Democrats alike.

THE NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

March Cotton in Demand at High Prices. Spinners Buying--Intend to Keep Up Prices Remainder of Season.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 11.—Cotton today made what would be considered sensational advances in ordinary times, closing prices being from 87 to 95 points higher than the close of yesterday. The market, however, showed little excitement and the tone throughout was steady.

The statement was openly made that spinners were bulling the market and especially March. The demand for March contracts was enormous, bids being continually made for from 1,000 to 5,000 bales. Offerings were not at all free, and the consequence was that March made the greatest gain of the day—99 points.

It is the general opinion that spinners are buying March contracts with the purpose of demanding actual cotton on them. It is the general belief that spinners intend to keep up the price of cotton for the remainder of the season so that striking advances may be made in the dry goods markets.

Deliveries on March contracts have been something of a bugbear in the minds of brokers of late. Some doubt has been expressed that holders of March contracts would be able to accept all the cotton that will probably be tendered, but this doubt has been dispelled by the buying of spot. Spot middling here was quoted at 13¼c, or four points under March futures.

NEW ORLEANS CARNIVAL

Opened Last Night—City Brilliantly Illuminated—Street Parade.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 11.—The carnival opened to-night with the parade of the Knights of Momus, who represented visions of the world's vanity, and was one of the handsomest displays ever witnessed even in this city during the past thirty years. The city was brilliantly illuminated and already contains one of the greatest crowds in its history.

The battleship Texas is in the river and will arrive here in the morning. The Drexel yacht Alceda has arrived with President Stuyvesant Fish and party. The number of distinguished visitors will be large.

The street parade was followed by brilliant tableaux and a ball at the French Opera House. The queen was Miss Andina Provosty, daughter of Justice Provosty of the Supreme Court.

The Senate has adopted a joint resolution authorizing a survey to determine whether a tidewater ship canal across the State of Florida is feasible.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway, almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, of Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally as good for Burns, Bruises, Skin Eruptions and Piles. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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ANOTHER BATTLE AT PORT ARTHUR.

Four Russian Battleships and Three Cruisers Sunk by the Japanese.

BOMBARDMENT CONTINUES.

Rejoicing in Japan—Denial of Report That Japanese Attempted to Land Troops at Port Arthur—The Russian Baltic Squadron.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Feb. 11, 7:30 P. M.—A dispatch to Reuters Telegram Company, from Tokio, dated 7:10 P. M., yesterday, says an unofficial report was current there that the Russian fleet was destroyed, four battleships and three cruisers being sunk, and that two Japanese warships were damaged, in an engagement yesterday off Port Arthur, the Japanese getting between the Russians and the entrance of the harbor before the fight commenced.

The dispatch adds: "Tokio witnessed a smaller Mafeking celebration tonight. Thousands of students paraded the streets, accompanied by many bands of music and carrying torches, flags, colored lanterns and transparencies blazoned with war pictures. National airs were sung and cheers were continually given. The various processions surrounded the palace wall and visited the government officers.

"The Russian legation overlooks a square where thousands of people had assembled to witnessed the celebration of the Japanese, but windows of the legation were closed.

"The British residents of Tokio were cheered wherever they appeared."

LONDON, Feb 12.—In a dispatch from Nagasaki, dated February 11th, a correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says:

"There has been a renewed attack on Port Arthur. The Japanese captured seven ships and chased others.

"There have been disturbances at Port Arthur, in which a number of Japanese civilians were killed or imprisoned.

"A Chinese mob has destroyed the telegraph line around New Chwang."

LONDON, Feb. 12.—In a dispatch from Shanghai, dated February 12th, 9 A. M., a correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says:

"The bombardment of Port Arthur continues. Three Russian cruisers have been sunk. The Russian bank building has been destroyed."

Japan Issues Proclamation.

TOKIO, JAPAN, Feb. 11.—The existance of a state of war with Russia was formally announced yesterday by an imperial proclamation. The proclamation says:

"We hereby declare war against Russia and we command our army and navy to carry on hostilities against her, in obedience to their duty, with all their strength, and we also command all our competent authorities to make every effort, in pursuance of their duties, to attain the national aim with all the means within the limits of the law of nations."

The proclamation briflely narrates the recent negotiations, declaring the integrity of Corea and China to be essential to permanent peace in the Far East, and that Russia has disregarded her pledges as to Manchuria. It says Russia never met the Japanese proposals in a spirit of conciliation, and concludes:

"We cannot in the least admit that Russia had from the first any serious or genuine desire for peace. She rejected the proposals of our government. The safety of Corea was in danger and the interests of our empire were menaced. The guarantees for the future, which we failed to secure by peaceful negotiations can now only be obtained by an appeal to arms.

"It is our earnest wish that by the loyalty and valor of our faithful subjects peace may soon be permanently restored and the glory of our empire preserved."

Japanese Repulsed.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—A dispatch from Port Arthur says the Japanese fleet attempted Wednesday to land men in several bays in the neighborhood of Port Arthur under the protection of the guns of the cruisers. It is asserted, however, that all the attempts were unsuccessful.

PARIS, Feb. 11.—The "Temps" says it has received confirmation from official sources of the report from Port Arthur that the Japanese attempted to make a landing at the bay of Port Arthur and were immediately repulsed.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The St. Petersburg's correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company cables that the naval headquarters staff there announces that in the fight at Port Arthur six Japanese ships were slightly damaged and fifty Japanese were killed and 150 wounded.

Troops at Seoul.

PARIS, Feb. 11.—The foreign office received a dispatch to-day, dated yesterday, reporting that 5,000 Japanese troops are encamped near Seoul, Corea, some of which have entered the town. It is added that quiet prevails there.

Regarding the announcements that Russian sailors from the Variag and Korietz, sunk by the Japanese off Chemulpo, had sought refuge on the French cruiser Pascal, which are confirmed, the foreign office says the French commander offered them an asylum only in the interest of humanity, that no protest on the subject has been made by the Japanese government, and that the refugees will be required to give their parole not to serve again during the war.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 11.—It is officially announced that Admiral Alexieff has been appointed to the supreme command of the Russian land and sea forces in the Far East.

BERLIN, Feb. 11.—A dispatch to the "Vindsche Zeitung, from Yokohama, says the greater number of the Russian warships at Port Arthur already have been disabled and that several Japanese warships have been sent home for repairs.

Russian Baltic Squadron.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—In a dispatch from Copenhagen a correspondent of the "Daily Mail" says:

"The Russian Baltic squadron of fifteen warships passed through Danish waters to-day enroute for the Far East around Cape Skagen, but as a fierce storm was raging in the North sea, the Russian admiral ordered the squadron through the Kaiser Wilhelm canal."

Unconfirmed Rumors.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The Tien Tsin correspondent of the "Standard" cables that it is rumored that five Russian cruisers from Vladivostock bombarded Hakodati, Japan, on Tuesday.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 11.—The ministry of marine declares there is absolutely no foundation for the report that the Japanese made several attempts to land at Port Arthur.

Repairing Damages.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 11.—The Czar to-day received a telegram from Viceroy Alexieff describing the damage done to the Russian warships during the bombardment by the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur. It says:

"The Czarevitch and Pallada were brought into the harbor Tuesday. The Retizvan is making temporary repairs to a hole. Repairs to the battleships are so complicated that it is difficult to say when the ships will be ready. The Pallada and Novik will be docked in turn and I expect them to be ready in a fortnight. All the other vessels injured in the fight are now repairing and coaling in the harbor. I expect them to be ready in three days.

"The wounded officers, Lieutenant Colonel Zalonichkovsky, of the artillery corps and Lieutenant Reirof are doing well. Four of the wounded have died. A majority of the injured belonged to the cruiser Pallada and their injuries are due to gases from the explosion of a melinite torpedo. A careful search by cruisers and torpedo boats day and night has not revealed the presence of the enemy."

It is officially announced that no news has been received here of the fight at Chemulpo, the landing of Japanese or the blowing up of a bridge on the Manchurian railroad.

Defensive Measures.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The *St. James Gazette's* correspondent at Che Foo cables that in anticipation of the return of the enemy's fleet, the Russians at Port Arthur are adopting extra defensive measures. Workmen and troops are taking down high brick buildings, which it was feared would fall and cause loss of life in the event of a Japanese bombardment.

A New Commander.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 11.—Admiral Skyruloff, commander of the Russian Black sea fleet, has left quietly for the Far East to take command of the Russian fleet there. All unattached naval officers in St. Peterburg and Kronstadt have been ordered to go east promptly without making farewell calls.

Serious disturbances are reported to have broken out at Reval, the fortified seaport on the Gulf of Finland. Four companies are said to have been dispatched to suppress the rioting. The disturbances are believed to be connected with labor troubles.

There is a general movement among the public to raise money for the purpose of increasing the navy.

WORK OF LIFE SAVERS.

Rescued the Crew of the Ship Hyde, Stranded on the Virginia Coast, After a Hard Struggle.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 11.—The life savers, as they patrolled the beach south of the Danneck station, caught a glimpse of the outlines of an ocean tug and a huge ship. The ship struck the beach a few minutes later. The tug cut her tow line and steamed for sea.

The life saving crew soon had its apparatus on the beach and the life-line was shot toward the stranded ship. Time after time it missed the mark, but in face of the elements the men continued their work and were finally rewarded by landing the line over the ship's rigging. No sooner had it been secured than the line became coated with ice, which rendered the handling of it by the ship's crew a matter of impossibility. The life saving crew stood to its task, battling with the fury of the wind and snow and it was not until the storm abated the sailors of the Hyde made the life line fast and the first breeches buoy was dispatched to the ship.

Mrs. Pearson waited until all save her husband had been taken off before leaving the ship.

The Hyde left New York on Jan. 9th, partly loaded with coal. Her destination was San Francisco and she was to stop at Baltimore to receive the remainder of her cargo. She was in tow of the tug Britannia. While trying to make the capes last night the captain of the tug lost his bearings. The tug struggled hard against the gale, but was pushed steadily back and forced to desert the ship when its keel grounded.

THE PORT ARTHUR FIGHT.

Conflicting Statements Concerning the Naval Engagement at Midnight on Monday in the Harbor.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Statements of all kinds concerning the Port Arthur fight are published here this morning.

According to the Che Foo correspondent of the "Daily Mail" the lack of preparation on the part of the Russians at Port Arthur was due to the fact that all the naval and military officers were attending a circus performance at Port Arthur, which did not terminate until early Tuesday morning.

According to the correspondence of the Paris edition of the New York "Herald" at Che Foo, the Japanese torpedo boats succeeded in entering the outer harbor by a rush; they used the Russian flash light signals. This correspondent adds that three Japanese torpedo boats were sunk with great loss of life.

A correspondent of the "Standard," at Tokio, sends in this morning an entirely new account of the Port Arthur encounter. He says Admiral Togo's fleet arrived on Monday night and found the Russian squadron drawn up in battle formation outside the harbor and under the shadow of the forts, the destroyers being spread out in front over a distance of five miles. Admiral Togo decided on a night attack and opened fire at 11 o'clock. While the cannonade was hottest a number of Japanese torpedo boats crept along close in shore at the foot of the cliff and succeeded in the darkness in getting between the Russian ships and the land. Here they lay unnoticed until the Russians began to give way before the Japanese fire and sought to re-enter the harbor. The Japanese torpedo boats then opened fire at comparatively close range and sank two battleships and one cruiser close to the entrance of the harbor. The effect of this coup was the retreat of the remainder of the squadron into the harbor. All was safe on board of the Japanese ships at noon of Tuesday, the correspondent concludes, and the engagement was then still in progress.

WOMAN ASSAULTED.

Stabbed in the Hip and Robbed of One Hundred Dollars in Money.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROANOKE, Va., Feb. 11.—A special to the "Times" from Wytheville says an unknown masked negro entered the home of A. J. McMillan, of Ivanhoe, to day, and drawing a knife on Mrs. McMillan demanded money. The woman refused to give up her money and screamed. The negro threw her to the floor and cut open her dress and secured $100. In the scuffle Mrs. McMillan was stabbed in the hip. The negro made his escape. Posses were formed and are scouring the country for Mrs. McMillan's assailant.

The American barque Lillian, from Philadelphia, February 2nd, for Charleston, S. C., struck on the reefs at Bermuda, and the crew abandoned her.

EMERGING FROM THE DARK CLOUD.

Baltimore Making Rapid Progress in the Work of Rejuvenating Itself.

WHOLE COMMUNITY INSPIRED

Resumption of Business by the Banks. Almost Magical Progress Made in Clearing Away the Debris from the Burned District.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 11.—To-day marked the most cheerful advance Baltimore has yet made in emerging from the dark cloud cast upon it by the great conflagration of last Sunday and Monday. An incident that inspired the whole community with tremendous confidence was the resumption of business by the banks, deposits being received and checks honored in the usual way. It would be difficult to estimate the volume of transactions in this respect, but according to the leading bankers it was gratifyingly large in view of existing conditions.

The knowledge that Baltimore's terminal facilities are intact and that the grain elevators were not involved in the fiery tornado, also served to promote a popular conviction that the situation is not so dark as it has heretofore appeared. Indeed, the optimistic feeling is manifestly growing that the calamity, though harrowing in every detail, will give the city an opportunity to readjust itself on new and more modern plans and that a new city of imposing grandeur is to arise from the ruins of the old.

The progress which has been made to day in the work of clearing the debris from the streets in the burned district seems almost magical. Baltimore street, which at sunrise was a confused mass of rubbish, is practically clean, and likewise South street, one of the great banking thoroughfares. Hanover street, near where the fire started, was made passable for wagons, and Pratt street, a long avenue of trade, is clear of encumbrances all the way through. The city engineer department, the building inspector and the street cleaning department all worked in conjunction. No attempt was made to do more than clear the streets from curb to curb, the debris being piled high on the sidewalks and back of the building line.

Many dangerous walls which overhung the streets were pulled down. The most ambitious attempts at razing walls were on Liberty and Lombard streets. At each of these places there are hoisting engines with wire cables, which are fastened to a section of the toppling walls and then wound up on the spools. The Hurst building, in which the fire started, was pulled down.

All through the financil district preparations are being made to open safes and vaults. Those of the German Fire Insurance Company were opened and the cash and books taken out uninjured. The vault of the Marine bank was opened this afternoon and found intact. In no instance have the contents of any vault been seriously damaged.

The Chamber of Commerce has been exceedingly active to-day in sending broadcast to every centre of trade in this country and Europe the assurance that Baltimore is even now in condition to transact all shipping, grain and foreign trade, and that all other lines of business will be restored to their normal channels within the next two or three months.

The officials of the Chamber of Commerce announce that plans are already nearly completed for the rebuilding of their $600,000 structure.

Many merchants and manufacturers whose places of business were swallowed up in the conflagration have signed contracts for rebuilding, and there are on all sides the greatest signs of activity in this respect. All are simply waiting for the city to clear the streets of debris and give permission to the owners of the ground to take possession.

The matter of accepting aid from other cities has not yet been finally decided upon, according to Mayor McLane. The fire did not reach the residential section of the city and there is no actual destitution at this time. The indications are that the citizens of Baltimore will be fully able to take care of all cases of want that might present themselves. The mayor feels grateful for the many proffers of aid from the citizens of this country and from foreign lands.

Among the messages of sympathy received to-day was a communication from Mgr. Falconio, the apostolic delegate at Washington, containing the following from the Pope:

"ROME, Feb. 10.—His Holiness, deeply moved by the news of the great calamity which has recently visited the city of Baltimore, desires your excellency to convey to the honorable mayor and the people of Baltimore his sincere sympathy. He prays that they can stand the severe loss their city has suffered, and that it will continue to progress."

The leading savings banks in the city combined in a public announcement to-night that none of them have suffered any loss of securities by the fire, and that they are in as good condition financially as ever, and that they will be open for business Feb. 15th.

Governor Warfield refused to sign the resolution which was passed by the House of Delegates yesterday censuring Brigadier General Riggs, of the State militia, and summoning him to appear before the bar of the House to answer a charge of exceeding his authority, and the House rescinded its action of yesterday, after hearing a statement by General Riggs. The specific complaint against General Riggs was that he had refused to recognize passes signed by Governor Warfield to the members of the Legislature, admitting them within the fire lines, but Governor Warfield said that General Riggs' refusal was to be commended instead of condemned.

A composite estimate of the total loss from the fire by twenty-five expert representatives of leading insurance companies, outside of Baltimore, places the figures at $85,000,000. Some of them think that the total loss will be reduced to $70,000,000, as much salvage is being dug out of the ruins which was thought to have been destroyed.

The loss to the insurance companies is estimated by the same experts at 75 per cent. of the total loss.

Charles M. Schwab sailed yesterday for France on the steamship "Lorraine." Upon inquiry at Mr. Schwab's office it was stated that it had been Mr. Schwab's intention for many weeks to go to Europe for his health under the advice of his physician and that he had been under constant strain, which rendered it imperative that he should not delay in seeking a change of air and rest.

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PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION.

Declaring the Neutrality of United States Government in the Russo-Japanese War—Text of the Document.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—President Roosevelt to-day issued a proclamation declaring the neutrality of this government in the Russo-Japanese war. The document, after setting forth the existence of a state of war and that the laws of the United States, without interfering with the free expression of opinion and sympathy, or with the open manufacture or sale of arms or munitions of war, nevertheless impose upon all persons who may be within their territory and jurisdiction the duty of an impartial neutrality during the existence of the contest; proclaims the provisions of the United States neutrality law, which law forbids the acceptance of a commission to serve either belligerent, or enlisting or hiring or retaining another person in the service of either; fitting out and arming or commissioning vessels of war; increasing the force or armament of any armed vessel of either of the belligerents arriving in United States ports; setting on foot any military expedition against either belligerent.

The proclamation further declares the use of United States waters to prepare for hostile operations a violation of neutrality, that after February 15th for ships of war, there shall be a lapse of twenty-four hours between the arrival and departure of warships of the two belligerents from United States ports, and that no warship shall remain in any port over twenty four hours, except for necessary repairs. Such ships shall not be permitted to take in any supplies except provisions and so much coal as may be sufficient to carry the vessel to the nearest home port.

The proclamation further declares the principles as to rights of neutrals at sea contained in the treaty between the United States and Russia, of 1854, as permanent and immutable as follows:

"That free ships make free goods; that is to say, that the effects or goods belonging to subjects or citizens of a power or state at war are free from capture and confiscation when found on board of neutral vessels with the exception of articles of contraband of war; that the property of neutrals on board an enemy's vessel is not subject to confiscation, unless the same be contraband of war."

The proclamation declares that no person within the United States shall take part in the war, and warns all citizens "that while free and full expression of sympathies in public and private is not restricted by the laws of the United States, military forces in aid of either belligerent cannot lawfully be originated or organized within its jurisdiction; and that while all persons may lawfully and without a restriction by reason of the aforesaid state of war, manufacture and sell within the United States arms and munitions of war, and other articles ordinarily known as 'contraband of war,' yet they cannot carry such articles upon the high seas for the use or service of either belligerent, nor can they transport soldiers and officers of either, or attempt to break any blockade which may be lawfully established and maintained during the war, without incurring the risk of hostile capture, and the penalties denounced by the law of nations in that behalf."

NEUTRALIZATION OF CHINA.

Replies to the Washington Proposal Generally Favorable--Japan Would Welcome International Agreement.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The move made by Secretary Hay in connection with the proposed neutralization of China has aroused the greatest interest in diplomatic circles here, and in consequence, this being the regular diplomatic day, many more than the usual number of ambassadors and ministers called at the State Department. It was stated to day that some but not all of the countries had replied, and that these replies were generally favorable and satisfactory. But it is declared to be too early yet to publish the text of Secretary Hay's note and any of the replies. It can be stated that such information as the State Department has on the subject is to the effect that Japan would welcome an international agreement neutralizing China.

One of the incidents of the diplomatic day which was witnessed with great interest by a number of persons in the neighborhood of the diplomatic room of the State Department was the meeting of the Russian ambassador and the Japanese minister. Count Cassini was chatting with the Austrian 'charge, Mr. Takihira was alone. The Russian, who is dean of the diplomatic corps, bowed with marked politeness and formality when he received the minister, not once but twice, and the Japanese returned the bow in like manner. Without speaking they parted.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

A State Department of Commerce and Immigration to be Established.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 11.—The Legislature of South Carolina to-day passed a bill establishing a State Department of Commerce and Immigration. The bill is elastic in character and enables the department to look not only to securing settlers of desirable character, but to inducing all kinds of investments in the State. The move is due to the peculiar conditions prevailing in the South, resulting from the cotton growing and manufacturing situation, the demand for farm labor, the probability of the opening of the Panama canal, and the development of the West Indian trade. Once the department is established other Southern States will doubtless move on similar lines.

SENATOR HANNA.

His Condition is Serious if Not Precarious. Physicians Awaiting Developments.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11. — Senator Hanna's condition is very serious if not precarious. His physicians realize this and are watching the case with the greatest concern. The senator is considerably weaker to-day and as a result his pulse had run up at 6 o'clock to 104 pulsations to the minute. The increased weakness is the direct result of the fever, as the official bulletin shows there are no complications. The physicians hope that the fever has reached its worst stage, but whether or not it has they declare they are unable to say. They are simply waiting for developments and realize that the patient has lost ground the last two days.

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THE COTTON BOLL WEEVIL.

Fight Against Ravages of the Pest Begun in Texas by the Department of Agriculture.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The Department of Agriculture has issued a circular detailing the work which already has begun in Texas under the emergency appropriation made by Congress to fight the ravages of the cotton boll weevil. The work will be carried on under Chief Entomologist Howard, of the department, by W. D. Hunter, special agent in charge, with several assistants, with headquarters at Victoria, Tex. There will be thirteen experimental farms of 100 acres each in different parts of the State. The search for parasites will continue in Central and South America and the West Indies. A number of stations will be established to demonstrate the value of diversification of crops, the results to indicate to planters what crops can be grown with profit in place of cotton. In cooperation with the Federal government, Prof. Sanderson, the entomologist of the Texas State Agricultural Experiment Station, will investigate regarding other insects which affect the cotton plant, and experimental and demonstration work will be carried on in different parts of the cotton belt against root rot, rust and other cotton plant diseases.

NAVAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Chairman Foss, of the House Committee, Throws Down the Gauntlet to Senator Gorman.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—In the report on the Naval Appropriation bill to the House to-day by Chairman Foss, of the Naval Affairs Committee, the gauntlet thrown down by Senator Gorman in his announced policy of international improvements in place of naval construction, is taken up with vigor. The report says:

"If we judge public sentiment aright it is in favor of the continuance of the policy of building up our navy. If we stopped now we would be left behind the leading countries of the world.

"The American people will not endorse the policy of sacrificing the American navy for international improvements, nor is there any such necessity.

"Foremost and above all must stand considerations of national defence, maintenance of our foreign policies and protection of American citizens everywhere. The American people are not willing to lessen their influence on this hemisphere, nor forsake their interests on the other."

The reports says it will cost $82,718,659 to complete all the ships authorized up to the present time. Of this sum $19,826,800 are appropriated in the pending bill.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, of Hampton, Va., is left $100,000 by the will of Hudson Hoagland, who died January 30th, in New York city.

The American Exchange National bank of Syracuse, N. Y., was closed yesterday by National Bank Examiner Josiah Van Vranken. The bank has a capital of $100,000 and deposits of $337,000.

Senator Daniel introduced a bill yesterday appropriating $40,000 for the completion of the Jefferson memorial object lesson road from Charlottesville to Monticello, Va., the grave of Thomas Jefferson.

Twenty-five independent tobacco manufacturers from various parts of the country who do business in New England have voted to resist the tobacco combine in the alleged boycott of independent goods in the jobbing trade.

News having reached the State Department that the Jiminez rebels were tearing up the American railroad between Puerto Plata and Santiago, in San Domingo, the State Department has caused a warship to be ordered to the former port.

The Senate Committee on Commerce will take a vote, February 23th, on the nomination of William D. Crum to be collector of customs at the port of Charleston, S. C. The nomination was considered yesterday, but no witnesses were heard.

It is authoritatively stated that a representative of the Japanese government is making arrangements with the Richmond, Va., Locomotive Works and the Tredegar Iron Works, for manufacturing projectiles and armament for the Japanese navy.

Yesterday morning Savannah, Ga., saw the first snowfall in four years. For a quarter of an hour there was a brisk flurry that was succeeded by sleet. "Old Tom" Williamson, a local negro character, aged ninety-four, was found frozen to death in an alley.

King Edward, of England, at a council held at Buckingham Palace, signed a proclamation declaring Great Britain's neutrality during the war between Russia and Japan. The British proclamation of neutrality is a lengthy document on the usual lines and covers all the British dominions.

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Three cases of Simpson's Percales, 6c value, all pretty patterns. Only 10 yards to a customer; will go at 5c yard.		We have purchased a line of Drummer's sample Men's Hats, high grade goods, and they will be on display this week at half price.	
Good Ink 3 cents bottle.	Good Machine Oil, 10c value, 3c bottle.	A good Broom for 12 cents.	Buy your Boy a nice Necktie; this value for 8c.
A line of Men's Necktie, 35c value, pretty patterns for 22c.		This is only a few of our many Big Bargains.	
We will sell one pound of good Writing Paper this week for 10c.	Boys' and Men's Caps. This week 31 cents.	Men's 50 and 75c Dress Shirts. This sale 38c.	A 25c Frying Pan will go this sale for 10 cents.
Big values in Men's and Boys' Clothing this week.		A large Picture Frame, 50c value. This sale 29c.	A big line of Children's 5 cts Handkerchiefs. This sale 2 cents.

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